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- (U) Sensitive but unclassified please protect accordingly.
- 11. (SBU) This is another in a series of weekly reports on PKK violence in Turkey. Our primary source is the Turkish General Staff (TGS) website, which documents contacts and clashes with the PKK, as well as casualties incurred.
- 12. (U) During the March 1-7, 2009, no security official was injured or killed. The total number of security force casualties for the year through March 7, was zero killed and zero injured.
- 13. (U) During the same period, no PKK terrorist was killed in clashes. According to official TGS website figures, through the first week of March, the number of PKK militants killed this year was zero, the number of those captured was eight, and the number of those who surrendered was 17.
- 14. (U) During the reporting period no civilian died or was injured. The total number of civilian casualties for the year through the end of the first week of March, was zero killed and five wounded. JEFFREY